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SUBJECT: OECD TRADE COMMITTEE (TC) MEETING MAY 21-22:

WRAP- UP

1. SUMMARY. MESSAGE REPORTS ITEMS ON TC AGENDA NOT ALREADY COVERED BY SEPTELS. END SUMMARY.

2. ELECTIONS AND ATMOSPHERICS. BY PREARRANGEMENT, DR. PETER HERMES, FRG, WAS ELECTED TC CHAIRMAN, SUCCEEDING DR. AXEL HERBST, FRG, WHO HAS BEEN ASSIGNED AS FRG AMBASSADOR TO THE GERMAN MISSION IN GENEVA. AMBASSADOR P. LANGUETIN OF SWITZERLAND WAS REELECTED FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN. TC DECIDED TO EXPAND BUREAU THIS YEAR TO INCLUDE A SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN, N. MIYAZAKI OF JAPAN, WHO WAS NOMINATED BY US REP RENNER.

3. WHEN IT BECAME APPARENT IN WEEK PRECEDING TC MEETING THAT CANADA, FRANCE, AND SWEDEN WOULD NOT ACCEPT EXPANDED TC BUREAU TO INCLUDE FRG, SWITZERLAND, EC COMMISSION (HIJZEN), US, AND JAPAN, US PERMDEL LET IT BE KNOWN THAT, AS A FALLBACK POSITION, WE ATTACHED CONSIDERABLE VALUE TO AT LEAST A MODEST ENLARGEMENT OF BUREAU TO INCLUDE MIYAZAKI. IN SUBSEQUENT INFORMAL CONSULTATION AMONG DELS, IDEA OF ADDING MIYAZAKI BECAME KNOWN AS A US PROPOSAL. BY TIME OF TC MEETING FRENCH LED DELS, SUSPICIOUS OF TC BUREAU ENLARGEMENT IDEA AS A FORMULA FOR A DIRECTORATE AND FIRST STEP TOWARD ENLARGED TC WORK PROGRAM, AGREED TO SUPPORT MIYAZAKI. NOT CLEAR EXTENT TO WHICH THEIR SUPPORT AROSE FROM POSITIVE CONVICTION OR FROM RELUCTANCE TO BE ISOLATED IN OPPOSITION TO JAPAN. MEANWHILE JAPANESE PERMDEL WAS IN DAILY CONTACT WITH US DEL TO CHECK ON PROGRESS OF MIYAZAKI CANDIDACY AND WAS EFFUSIVE WITH GRATITUDE TO US WHEN MIYAZAKI WAS ELECTED.

4. PERHAPS MOST NOTABLE FEATURE AND HOPEFULLY GOOD OMEN OF THIS TC MEETING WAS SERIES OF CONSTRUCTIVE, WELL ARTICULATED INTERVENTIONS BY MIYAZAKI. PROSPECT OF HIS REPRESENTING JAPAN REGULARLY AT TC AND ASSISTING BUREAU IN PLANNING AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ORGANIZING TC WORK AND MEETINGS IS ENCOURAGING.

5. WORK IN PROGRESS

(A) TC HEARD WITHOUT COMMENT BRIEF STATUS REPORTS BY SECRETARIAT ON WORK ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT AND EXPORT CREDITS.

(B) TC NOTED WITHOUT COMMENT A REPORT BY AUSTRIAN DELEGATION
ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ITS NEW VALUE ADDED TAX SYSTEM.

(C) AT REQUEST OF AUSTRALIAN DEL, TC EXAMINATION OF
AUSTRALIAN TRADE POLICY WAS POSTPONED UNTIL SPRING 1974.
REASON GIVEN WAS THAT NEW GOVERNMENT REVIEWING SOME KEY
ASPECTS OF AUSTRALIAN TRADE POLICY AND IT WOULD BE SENSIBLE
TO AWAIT RESULTS OF INTERNAL REVIEW BEFORE HAVING INTERNATIONAL
REVIEW IN TC.

6. TC SET OCT 29-30 AS DATES FOR ITS NEXT MEETING.
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